

Trinity CONNECTION

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New Zoning District

The Trinity City Council recently approved a new residential zoning district, R-12. The new district will allow single family home development at the rate of three homes per acre in areas served by public water and sewer.

Parkland Dedication

Land developers are now required to set aside a certain percentage of property for greenway or parkland development based on the number of residential units proposed for a specific property. With City approval, developers may pay a fee in lieu of land dedication which is restricted to funding City park and recreation projects.

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City Council members evaluated nearly 25 entries in our "Name This Newsletter" competition. In the end, *Trinity Connection* was the top votegetter. Congratulations to Diana Schreiber, Trinity's Administrative Assistant, for submitting the winning entry. Thank you to all who sent in names!

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CITY HAUL

Clean out your garage, attic, backyard and closets! Bag up all your grass clippings, tree limbs and

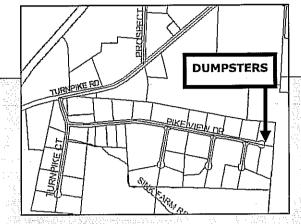
other yard
waste! Then
haul all your
junk to the end
of Pike View
Dr. Trinity's
first CITY HAUL
makes it easy



to get rid of all the stuff that's cluttering your home and property.

During the last two weekends in April, residents are invited to clean up the community by disposing of junk and yard waste in City provided dumpsters. We encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity and save yourself a trip to the dump!

Don't forget Litter Sweep 2005—an opportunity to clean up Trinity's streets and roads. Organize a group and have fun! See Details at right.



CITY HAUL

What: Trash, tires, yard waste, metal, wood, junk, old furniture

When: Apr. 21-23; Apr. 28-30 8:30 am-4:30 pm

Where: Dumpsters at end of Pike View Dr.

Cost: Free to City residents

What's not allowed: Appliances, paint cans, batteries, toxic or hazardous materials. (Some of these items may be taken to the County Landfill. Call 819-3607 for information.)

Litter Sweep 2005

What: Roadside cleanup

When: Last two weeks in April

Where: Pick a road! Organize a cleanup with your

church, club, class etc.

Supplies: contact City Hall by April 15 for free

safety vests, gloves, bags

A.R.C.H way to Trinity

A II Residents Communicating and Helping, sponsored by the Archdale Police Department, is ready to serve residents of Trinity. This program is designed as a supplemental safety net for disabled, special-need and homebound residents. Volunteers help link homebound

residents to the community by providing a sense of security and caring through voice contact. The Archdale Police Department recently invited the City of Trinity to participate in the program and the Trinity City Council voted to promote and recommend the program to City residents.

How it works

Community volunteers are assigned by the Archdale Police Department to make regular telephone calls to monitor the welfare of Trinity residents who sign up for the A.R.C.H pro-

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Citywide land use plan will guide development

Sewer expected to spur growth

In anticipation of significant growth over the next few years, the City has contracted with the Piedmont Triad Council of Governments to facilitate development of a comprehensive land use plan.

An advisory committee of residents and city officials will spend several months developing the plan which will include recommendations on the amount, type, location and pattern of development within the City. The plan is expected to be presented to the Council in Jun 2006.

Adoption of the plan will help officials guide City growth and development by providing a legal basis for land use decisions.

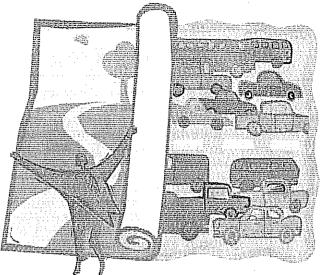
Purpose of the Land Development Plan:

A guide for making decisions:

- Develop a clear vision for future growth in Trinity.
- Recommend policies to guide decisions about the amount, type, location, & pattern of land development.

A source of information:

 Produce a "Framework of Facts" which will include data and maps of demographic, environmental, and



Voters OK Sewer Bond

Nearly one half of Trinity residents are expected to receive sewer service over the next decade following voter approval last November of a \$15 million bond referendum for sewer expansion. City Officials agreed to designate 75% of the City's sale tax revenue to debt payment. Significant growth is expected in Trinity as land is developed following installation of sewer lines.

urban service growth factors.

 Develop a "Framework of Community Values" which will include community Issues, likes, dislikes, goals, opportunities, and constraints as

Dare to Dream

Want to help decide how Trinity will grow? An advisory committee will be appointed in the Fall to work on the land use plan. Recommendations on the location and types of development as well as what our City should look like will be developed. Let us know if you would like to be considered for appointment to this team. Visionaries are encouraged to apply!

identified by City residents.

An opportunity for community involvement:

- An Advisory Committee will be named in the Fall which will include a cross-section of community residents.
- The plan will be designed to dovetail with the Randolph County Long Range Plan and those of surrounding municipalities
- Town Meetings will be scheduled to share information and receive input from City Residents

The Council has approved funding for phase 1 of the plan which involves development of a series of maps highlighting existing conditions and community resources.

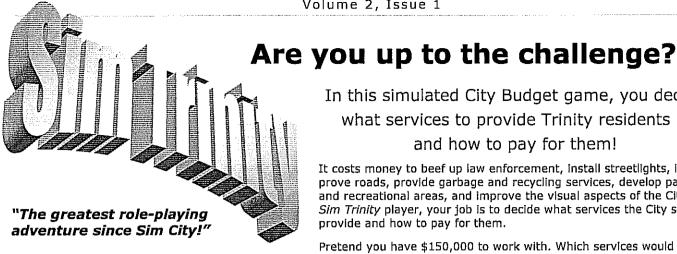
A.R.C.H way to Trinity (continued)

gram. If a volunteer becomes concerned about the health or safety of a resident, the volunteer notifies the Archdale Police Department for follow-up. This program is intended to ensure that our special-need citizens receive prompt assistance in case of an

emergency.

Special-need residents or family members of relatives with special needs can register for this program by completing an application that includes the individual's name, address, and health situation. Residents wishing to serve as Volunteers are also required to submit an application of participation which would include previous volunteer experience and three references. All information is confidential and will only be shared with emergency services, if necessary.

Applications to participate in or volunteer for the A.R.C.H. program are available at Trinity City Hall. Applications are also available at the Archdale Police Department, 305 Balfour Drive, Archdale, NC., telephone 434-3134.



In this simulated City Budget game, you decide what services to provide Trinity residents ... and how to pay for them!

It costs money to beef up law enforcement, install streetlights, improve roads, provide garbage and recycling services, develop parks and recreational areas, and improve the visual aspects of the City. As a Sim Trinity player, your job is to decide what services the City should provide and how to pay for them.

Pretend you have \$150,000 to work with. Which services would you choose to fund? To pay for services costing more than \$150,000, taxes must be increased and/or user fees imposed.

Annual Trinity Budget

(very simple version)

Revenues (income)

Sales Tax 975.000

Utilities Franchise Taxes 200,000

Property Taxes 200,000

(\$.05/\$100 valuation) (Every 1-cent tax yields about \$40,000 in revenue)

State Funding for Roads 150,000

TOTAL REVENUES \$1,525,000

Expenditures (expenses)

Sewer Debt payment \$ 700,000

Operations* 525,000 Road Improvements 150,000

TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$1,375,000

DIFFERENCE: \$150,000

*Includes funding for Archdale Library, Randolph County Seniors, Animal Control, Salaries, Benefits, Equipment, Supplies, Utilities, Advertising, etc.

Services

Law Enforcement

Round-the-clock protection by one officer on contract basis.

Cost: \$300,000/year (\$.07 tax increase)

Trash/Recyclables

Weekly curbside pick up of residential trash and recyclables.

Cost: \$450,000/year (\$.11 tax increase)

Parks and Recreation

Develop 31-acre city-owned property to include a public park. (Cost assumes a \$500,000 state grant.)

Cost: \$500,000 (one time expenditure)

Paved Roads

The City splits the cost to pave private roads with owners. State money is restricted for this use so no cost is shown for this service.

Putting it in Perspective

Trinity's current tax rate is \$.05/\$100 valuation. This means that if you own a home worth \$100,000, your City taxes are \$50/year. Funding law enforcement would raise taxes to \$.12/\$100 (\$120/ year); funding trash/recyclables would raise taxes to \$.16/\$100 (\$160/year). Funding both services would raise taxes to \$.23/\$100 (\$230/year).

Property taxes are deductible

☐ Law Enforcement (\$.07 tax Increase)	SIM TRINITY Budget Recommendation	Greenways/bike paths Neighborhood park(s)
	Check the boxes of the services that the City should provide.	Library
☐ Trash/Recyclables (\$.11 tax increase)	Explanation is optional.	Restaurants/Shopping
	Pretend that services are	Improve "look" of NC 62
Other	"free"; prioritize them 1-8	Law Enforcement
	Please mail this form to Sim Trinity, PO Box 50, Trinity NC 27370. You may in-	Curbside trash/recyclables
	clude additional comments. Results will run in the next <i>Trinity Connection</i> .	Other



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"City of Vision"

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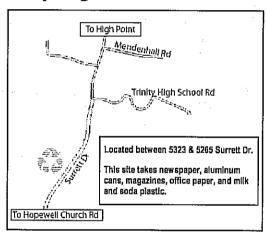
City Manager
Ann Bailie

City Clerk/Finance Officer
Debble Hinson

Planning/Zoning & Code Enforcement Adam Stumb

<u>Administrative Assistant</u> Diana Schreiber

Recycling Center



The Randolph County Public Works Department maintains this recycling center in Trinity. Recently, a lot of trash and junk has been dumped at the site. If this continues, Randolph County may be forced to close the facility. The recycling center is for the convenience of the community; it is not a dump. Help keep our community clean and green by using the recycling center properly and reporting unlawful dumping. Non-recyclables may be taken to the County Landfill: 1254 County Land Rd.

Public Notice

- City Boards—The City Council makes board appointments in December or as vacancies occur. Current City boards include: Planning & Zoning/Board of Adjustment and Utilities Committee. Future boards may include Parks and Recreation, Safety, and Transportation. Please contact the City to be notified about opportunities to serve on a City board or the land use plan committee.
- Trinity Community Park Thanks to a local civic group, Friends of Trinity, residents will soon enjoy Trinity Community Park at the intersection of NC Hwy. 62 and Meadowbrook and Old Meadowbrook roads. Grass, trees and bushes have been planted and soon volunteers will construct a gazebo. Please call the City to join the group, to donate time or money, or to purchase a commemorative brick to help pay expenses.
- Mayor & City Council elections In November, voters will elect a mayor and four members to the Trinity City Council. All terms are for four years. Please contact the Randolph County Board of Elections for information on voter registration or candidate filing: 819-3903.

City Council

Regular meetings are held third Tuesdays of each month at 7:00 p.m. at Trinity Memorial United Methodist Church, 7140 NC Hwy. 62. Pre-agenda meetings are held second Tuesdays of each month at 4:00 p.m. at City Hall.

City Meetings Schedule

Planning & Zoning Board

Meets fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall. Board serves as Board of Adjustment. **Utilities Committee**

Meets first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall

Meetings are open to the public Residents are invited and encouraged to attend

City Council agendas are available by e-mail in advance of meetings. To receive meeting agendas, message cityhall-trinity@triad.rr.com and ask to be put on the agenda list.